Secret History, Second Edition

By Nick Cullather

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Secret History, Second Edition by Nick Cullather is Americas. The first edition of this book, published in 1999, was well-received, but interest in it has surged in recent years. It chronicles an early example of “regime change” that was based on a flawed interpretation of intelligence and proclaimed a success even as its mistakes were becoming clear. Since 1999, a number of documents relating to the CIA’s activities in Guatemala have been declassified, and a truth and reconciliation process has unearthed other reports, speeches, and writings that shed more light on the role of the United States. For this edition, the author has selected and annotated twenty-one documents for a new documentary Appendix, including President Clinton’s apology to the people of Guatemala.

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The Decline of America: 100 Years of Leadership Failures

By: David D. Schein

The Decline of America offers a carefully documented analysis of the last seventeen U.S. presidents. These men, eight Democrats and nine Republicans, have shaped the last 100 years, not only for America, but for the world. Each president is profiled with unsparing scrutiny so we can see where it’s all gone wrong. David Schein follows these critiques by proposing ways to improve America’s outlook for the next 100 years—before it’s too late.

The Real Story of John C. Fremont

By: Alton Pryor

John Fremont was impetuous and rash in his decisions, one of which got him court martialed. Still he was credited with blazing passes that opened California for immigrants.

Twenty Years of Congress, Volume 2

By: James Gillespie Blaine

A historical book which describes that from Lincoln to Garfield, with a Review of the Events Which Led to the Political Revolution of 1860. Abraham Lincoln expired at twenty-two minutes after seven o’clock on the morning of April 15, 1865. Three hours later, in the presence of all the members of the Cabinet except Mr. Seward who lay wounded and bleeding in his own home, the oath of office, as President of the United States, was administered to Andrew Johnson by Chief Justice Chase.

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simple but impressive ceremony was performed in Mr. Johnson's lodgings at the Kirkwood Hotel; and besides the members of the Cabinet, who were present in their official character, those senators who had remained in Washington since the adjournment of Congress were called in as witnesses. While the death of Mr. Lincoln was still unknown to the majority of the citizens of the Republic, his successor was installed in office, and the administration of the Federal Government was radically changed. It was especially fortunate that the Vice-President was at the National Capital. He had arrived but five days before, and was intending to leave for his home in Tennessee within a few hours. His prompt investiture with the Chief Executive authority of the Nation preserved order, maintained law, and restored confidence to the people. With the defeat and disintegration of the armies of the Confederacy, and with the approaching disbandment of the armies of the Union, constant watchfulness was demanded of the National Executive. It is a striking tribute to the strength of the Constitution and of the Government that the orderly administration of affairs was not interrupted by a tragedy which in many countries might have been the signal for a bloody revolution.

**Marjorie Too Afraid to Cry**

**By : Patricia Skidmore**

When Marjorie’s daughter began exploring archival records involving Britain’s child-migration program, a home-child saga emerged. Marjorie Arnison was one of the thousands of children removed from their families, communities, and country and placed in a British colony or commonwealth to provide "white stock" and cheap labour. In Marjorie’s case, she was sent to Prince of Wales Fairbridge Farm School, just north of Victoria, British Columbia, in 1937. As a child, Patricia was angered that her mother wouldn’t talk about the past. It took many years to discover why – it wasn’t because she was keeping a dark secret, but because she had "lost" her childhood. For 10-year-old Marjorie, forgetting her past, her family, and England was the only survival tool she had at her disposal to enable her to face her frightening and uncertain future. This is Marjorie’s account as told by her daughter. It is a story of fear, loss, courage, survival, and finding one’s way home.

**Chicano Manifesto**

**By : Armando Rendon**

Chicano Manifesto appeared in 1971 as the first book written by a Chicano to give expression to the spirit of a cultural revolution. The text is largely biographical because much of the history recorded in its pages was actually observed by the author. Many persons and events depicted here were captured only because the author was there as the movement evolved. Perhaps the most disturbing truth that we now see from having Manifesto in our hands again is that so little has changed since those early urban marches, farmworker peregrinaciones, student confrontations with police and bureaucrats. Manifesto appears today at a time of intense racial fear and hatred toward Chicanos and Latinos in the United States. The racism, the rampant poverty, the school dropout rates, the joblessness, the despair are all still part of the Chicano reality. Reading Manifesto enlightens our understanding of what happened in the late Sixties and provides a starting point for realizing why these gaps still exist. Manifesto still serves as a rallying cry for action, perhaps the only true clarion call from that era, because it is still unrelenting in its quest for the true Chicano and for the realization of the Chicano as clearly the most important person to the evolution of the peoples on the American continents. As the cover design suggests, the Chicano is the bridge between the Americas; already a composite of the cultures here, the Chicano embodies the vast diversity that the Americas have become. What Manifesto suggests to all of us is the necessity for understanding the very foundations of our society; where the majority population has failed to understand the origins and aspirations of a people, the country has faltered. When it has recognized the value of its many peoples, America has prospered. The Chicano holds out that promise. As this book proclaims, the goal of the Chicano people is to fulfill its own promise and that of the nation it calls home.
Two Years Before the Mast

By: Richard Henry Dana

In 1834, Richard Henry Dana, Jr., was just nineteen years old when he abandoned his life as a Harvard student to enlist as a seaman. Here is the awe-inspiring account of his travels from Boston, around Cape Horn, and to the California coast—an astonishing personal narrative brimming with unforgettable views of an arduous voyage. Vivid descriptions of fierce storms, close encounters with whales, bone-wrenching labor, and the ship's cruel captain mingle with discoveries of magical beauty and fascinating historical detail, including a rare portrait of California before the gold rush. Originally written to expose "the life of a common sailor at sea as it really is," Dana's Two Years Before the Mast quickly became an American classic of maritime adventure. Crackling with realism, it remains one of the most eloquent and insightful depictions of life at sea in the early nineteenth century.

A Shrewd Spy Named Christopher Columbus: How I Cheated the Spanish King and Enjoyed it

By: Sar Perlman

Columbus, the man who discovered America, had a secret mission to accomplish. What was the real mission of Columbus? Who did he work for? and who benefited from his dangerous and shrewd life achievement? All is answered in this book. Columbus, the man who discovered America, had a secret mission to accomplish. What was the real mission of Columbus? Who did he work for? and who benefited from his dangerous and shrewd life achievement? All is answered in this book.

The Big Four Railroad Barons and Other Railroad Stories

By: Alton Pryor

The Big Four—Collis Huntington, Mark Hopkins, Leland Stanford and Charles Crocker—ruled California government, both state and local, for thirty years. The Southern Pacific Railroad, which they owned, was the single largest corporation in California and controlled 85 percent of the state’s railroad tracks. Huntington handed out bribes to state legislators, federal congressmen, local police and government officials with impunity. They owned the ferry services, local transit companies and wharf facilities. At political conventions, agents of the railroad freely circulated the convention floor and dominated the smoke-filled rooms, arranging the nomination of pro-railroad candidates. The Big Four had access to the floors of the both the legislature and the senate. It was a difficult task, Californians finally had enough and decided to bring down the Big Four. You’ll find this new book by Alton Pryor a stimulating read that clearly illustrates “how not to run a government.”

Patronen van bedrog

By: Willem Middelkoop & Tim Dollee


America’s Second War of Independence: A Short History of the War of 1812
By: Doug West

During the War of 1812, or the “second war of independence,” the United States, which consisted of eighteen loosely joined states, took on Great Britain, the greatest naval power in the world, in a conflict that would have a lasting impact on the nation’s future. The causes of the war, which have been debated for more than two centuries, include the British attempts to restrict U.S. trade, the Royal Navy’s impressment of American seamen, and the United States’ desire to expand her territory. Over the course of the war, the U.S. suffered many costly defeats at the hands of British, Canadian, and Native American forces, including the burning of the nation’s capital, Washington, D.C. Nonetheless, American troops managed to thwart British invasions in Baltimore, New York, and New Orleans, boosting national confidence and fostering a new spirit of patriotism as a result. Though the War of 1812 resulted in no exchange of territory between nations, there was no longer any doubt that the United States was now a nation to be reckoned with on the world stage. Read about this tumultuous period in American history by purchasing the book “America’s Second War of Independence.”

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